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SUBJECT: AFRICAN FORCE AIRLIFT - MOROCCAN MEDIA COVERAGE

1. ALL PRO-GOVERNMENT PAPERS EXCEPT LE MATIN/MAROC SOIR, WHICH DID NOT APPEAR JUNE 6, REPORT AIRLIFT OF MOROCCAN TROOPS TO ZAIRE VIA U.S. AIRCRAFT. NEWS WAS TAKEN STRAIGHT FROM WIRE SERVICE REPORTS AND RECEIVED LOW-KEY TREATMENT. FRONT PAGES LAST TWO DAYS HAVE BEEN DOMINATED BY KING'S JUNE 4 ADDRESS ON MOROCCAN ECONOMY.
2. SOCIALIST MUHARRIR FRONT-PAGE REPORT SEVERELY CRITICIZED WEST'S "INTERFERENCE" IN AFRICAN AFFAIRS, IN ARTICLE WHICH ALSO REPORTED U.S. AIRLIFT. AIRLIFT WAS NOT SPECIFIC TARGET OF CRITICISM, WHICH WAS COUCHED IN TERMS CONDEMNING EUROPEAN PRESENCE IN AFRICA GENERALLY. ARTICLE CONCLUDED QUOTING PRAVDA ON NATO CONCERNS OVER AFRICA.
3. IN SIMILAR VEIN, COMMUNIST AL BAYANE OF JUNE 4-5 CONDEMNED EUROPEAN AND AMERICAN "EXPLOITATION" OF AFRICAN WEALTH AND SOUGHT TO JUSTIFY FNLC AS A "GENUINE LIBERATION MOVEMENT," WHILE DENYING SOVIET-CUBAN ROLE IN SHABA AFFAIR. BAYANE ARTICLE DID NOT MENTION AFRICAN FORCE OR AIRLIFT. ANDERSON

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